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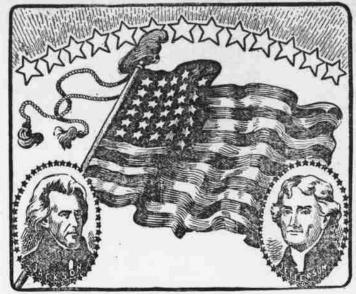
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"Stand For the Flag and What It Stands For----Freedom for All."

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HON. WEBSTER DAVIS announces nently out of politics. GOVERNOR STEPHENS has 97 delegates

instructed for him for delegate at large to the national democratic convention. In the 15th congressinal district, the democrats met in convention last Thurday and renominated Hon, M. E. Benton

tracts of land and town lots. PROGRESSIVE POPULIST PARTY OF MISsount, is the new name of the Middle full State ticket at Kansas City last

week. THE Cape Damocrat says, the republican mass convention held at Jackson the 14 to elect delegates to the various republican conventions, was a vest pocket

So far every state convention that has been held by the democrats, delegates to the national convention eral; Sam B. Cook, for Secretary

to vote for W. J. Bryan. AFTFR having been informed Philippines was over, Monday's Stephens and Senators Cockrell papers bring the news that last and Vest for delegates at large to week was one of the bloodiest of the National Convention.

A Pren having been declared a usurn by the highest court in Kentucky, Tay- the following strong language: lor has taken his case to the United docketed for hearing and time allotted for argument April 30th.

Tuy first number of the Budget we have received since brother Cooksey moved to Kennett, came to our table last week and is a whole "Budget" of well edited, neatly printed news. We wish brother Cooksey the success he evidently WE are in receipt of an invitation

to attend the twenty fifth annual meeting of the Southeast Missouri Medical Association, to be held at Poplar Bluff May 1st to 3rd. The programme includes many subjects of interest, and the meeting will be interesting, instructive and other- of Mindanao, described the shocking wise entertaining. SENATOR HOAR, in his great speech

President McKinley against President McKinley. Of course that His public policy is regulated on the plan of a celebrated coon trap .-Cincinnati Enquirer.

EDITOR SPROULE of the Oregon county South Missourian has recently run against it in better shape than when the ehairman of the democratic central committee of his county gave the printing of the primary election tickets to a print shop in Arkansas. He has made a rich find in carbonate of Zinc on his land for which he has refused \$15,000. Brother Sproule has our hearty congratulations.

DIPLOMATIC relations between the United States and Turkey are in a strained state. The Sultan promised to pay for college and other buildings belonging to American missionaries destroyed at Harpoot and Marash during the Armenian troubles in 1895. The claims amount to 890,000 and although more than a year has elapsed since the promise was made, the claims remain unpaid and Uncle Sam contemplates a change of medicine for the sick man.

HON. JESSE C. SHEPPARD of Doniphan is a candidate for delegate to represent this district in the national democratic convention; is said case of it, and poverty nearly always has to be a gentleman in every respect, whose democracy is unquestioned and is otherwise well qualified centrally located and as that part of the district very seldom asks for and have none to brag on, but surely favors of any kind, to elect Mr. Sheppard would only be rendering justice and honor to whom they are

THE grandjury at Frankfort Ky. returned indictments against Henry
Youtsey, James Howard, Berry
Howard, Harland Whittaker and
days of childhood we don't remember

Hon. W. D. VANDIVER has introduced as principals in the assassination of a bill in congress for a bridge at Cape Goebel, and Secretary of State Caleb Powers, ex-Secretary of will be gayly caparisoned, like circus State Charles Finley, W. H. Culton horses. The military will parade on that he is absolutely and perma and F. Wharton Golden, as accesso- shore. There will be bunting, flowers, ries. Gov. Taylor, Green Golden from the forts and battleships, hilarity, and Capt. John Davis, were refered champaigne, pate de foie gras, electric to as accessories, but were not in- lighting on land and water, fireworks

THE Republican Congressional Bluff the 17th nominated N. A. Mozely for Congress; indorsed Joe THE board of Equalization of Flory of Jefferson City for Governpeals, and elected M. E. Lemming, Cape Girardeau, and Guy Harrison Christian county, delegates to the of-the-road Populists, who nominated a national convention, Cyclone Jones presidential elector, John A. Snider committeeman, and F. M. McHaney

THE Ripley county delegates to the State convention, were instruct ed for Dockery for Governor; John A. Lee; for Lietenant-governor; Albert O. Allen, for State Auditor; nine in all, have instructed their Edward C. Crow, for Attorney-genof State, and A. H. Bolte, for treasurer. The delegates to the Jefferson City convention were instructed to months ago that the war in the vote for ex-Gov. Stone, Gov.

In delivering his great speech in the

"Perseverance in the present policy States supreme court, where it has been | will be the abondonment of the principles upon which our Government is founded: t will change our republic into an empire; our methods of legislation, of diplomacy, of administration must here-

> Now, if in spite of his convictions, he the hands of monopolists." ontinues to support the party, the policy of which he denounces as being ruinous to a republican form of government; how does he expect to have that ruinous policy arrested? He surely won't undertake to put out a fire by adding fuel.

IT was a hideo, s story that The Enquirer told last Sunday in a published letter from the Phillippines. A soldier from Ohio, stationed at Parang Parang, says The Weekly Enquirer, in the Island scenes of which he was an evewitness. American authority, through fear of overthrow, has been forced not only to on the Philippine question, quoted recognize slavery, but to protect the slaveholder. The correspondent draws a picture of the trial of a bondman who had tried to escape, where an American was to be expected. The President's officer sat as one of the Judges, acquis-"best hold" is getting on both sides | esced in the penalty and enforced it. And of every leading public question. for not permitting a sentry to shoot an escaping slave an American officer was degraded to the ranks. Slave owners are allowed to brand their human chattels with red-hot iron in as cruel a manner as savage ingenuity can suggest, and

where we have officially recognized slavery and might expect them, but in Mindanao, the second in size and importance of the Philippine group.

BROTHER ALLEN of The Banner, seems to be very much stirred up over the little item in THE PRESS, which was only inended to tease him a little because we failed to note the prosperity he seems to have been enjoying and pointing out to Now, brother Allen, we are too busy,

as a rule, to put ourselves to the least bit of trouble to inquire into other people's private business, but when we do, will confine ourselves strictly to facts when making statements in regard to their rating. We said nothing about your wealth or private business, but are glad to note that you are getting along so well and want to tell you that we are not the least bit jealous, nor do we covet your property. As to our poverty, we must acknowledge that we have a pretty good strings attached to it, but we have managed to hold on to our Encyclopedia. And as to our honesty we are compelled (not for your sake however), to admithat we are not over stocked with it, your honesty will lead you to get at the facts in regard to some of your statements, which you can easily do, and set yourself right in the matter. We have

We have given this matter more space

We bid you adieu, brother Allen.

Inaugurating The Empire. Imperialism is preparing for "large oings" says The Kansas City Times, in our subject isle of Porto Rico.

The 1st of May has been chosen to manifest our imperial magnificence and power before the eyes of the benighted people, too. They give their confiassals of that insular domain. That is the day on which the new governor will be installed in office at our good city of San Juan. The court journals have been rying with one another in describing the mposing and splendid ceremonials with

which the event will be commemorated. The chief representative of the presient's imperial authority in Porto Rico will enter the harbor of San Juan on the morning of the 1st of May on board the yacht of state, the Dolphin, escorted by the warships, cruisers and torpedo flotilla composing the North Atlantic squadron. All the vessels in the harbor music by the ba ds, booming of cannon

and spectacular effects galore. It is enough to make us plain people on the mainland feel jealous because we Cenvention which met at Poplar are not Porto Ricans, so that we might be imperialized and impressed by similar gorgeous and barbaric pageantry. It is enough to make Thomas Jefferson -who celebrated his inauguration as Ripley county raised the valuation or, Wilson Cramer, of Jackson, for president by riding up to the front gate on two hundred and eighty two Judge of the St. Louis Court of Ap- of the capitol, tying his horse to the fence and walking inside to take the oath of office-rise from his grave and expostulate against such apish imitation of monarchical claptrap.

> By Hon. W. J. Bryan. Among the terse things said by Mr. Bryan in his address in Shreveport,

March 1st, were these: "No king on earth would have the unlimited power of the president, if the death. people approve the Porto Rican tariff

"The Republican party is borrowing from England all that is bad, but will not take the income tax, which is good,"

in their necks " "The plea of destiny is the plea of cowardice."

"No nation is strong enough to do "Admiral Dewey should be made to correspond with Lafayette and not with

"Conquest means not destiny, but covetousness and temptation." conquer another, and inspire the other

"It is not the producer, but the non producer of wealth, that makes the laws." "So long as the farmers let the monopolist make the laws, they will not meet at summer resorts.' after be those which belong to empires "If the people wish to extinguish trusts

to die for independence."

and not those which belong to republics." they must take the extinguisher out of

people." "The Democratic party is now built from the voter up; heretofire it was built from the financier down." "If the Republican party destroys

the golden egg." "No large standing army is needed-The country is safe in the hands of

"Government should be made so that every citizen will be ready to die to pre-

Democratic Prospects in Missouri. The enthusiasm and harmony which animate the democratic hosts in Missouri this year, says the Kansas City Times, do not argue well for the hopes of Messrs, Joseph Flory and other republicans who

state capital at Jefferson City. Three of the nominations for places on the state ticket are already practically made-Mr. Dockery for governor, Mr. Cook for secretary of state, Mr. Crow for attorney generfriendly rivalry which exists is nowhere disturbing the rank and file of the party,

With a condicion like this, the love which the democrats of Missouri bear toward William J. Bryan, the certainty that he will be the nominee for president, and with carried out, the time is sure to come the large accessions which will when we shall have similar pictures feared that blood poison will set in. come from republicans, especially illustrating the pages of our own in southern Missouri, who have believed their party's past protestations of friendship for silver, but who trust them no longer, it is not unreasonable to forecast that the democrats will carry the state next November by from 60,000 to 75,000

An additional reason for this result may be found in the shamelessly corrupt government which the republicans have given to the city likely reverse its usual majority and be found this time in the demo-

St Louis is a little Germany. ing." South of Rim street and north of here and there of Irish, Italians or "Tallow Dick" Combs (colored), getting into a rage and pouring a lot of Bohemians, offe is at a disadvan 18

personal vitriol on a fellowman, over a tage there unless he speaks the joke. If you have obtained any relief language of Luther, Melanethon thereby, no doubt you will get along alright until the bile accumulates again. of them, left home to escape conscription, to avoid each carrying a soldier on his back, and to flee from the insolence of military officers. They hate and dread militarism. They know what a large standing army means, and they believe that conquest and colonizing means just that. They dence slowly, but when they do give

> it they yield it entirely. With the democratic party led by the Bradys and their contingent many of them would this fall have taken to the woods, but with the clean leadership of a bright, reputable young man like Mr. Hawes, who is the kind of a man to win their approbation, and which, among other things, promises them honest local government, they will not content themselves with refraining from voting the republican ticket, but will vote the democratic ticket This example, too, will be followed by a great many Germans in the state who think as they do. The result will be an unusually large majority for Alexan der M. Dockery and the other democratic nominees for state offices, and the redemption of the city of St. Louis from the most vicious control that it has ever had in its history.

## While Patriots Bleed, Millions

Starve. Red-handed war with its daily ecord of killed and wonnded, and its victims of hardship and disease, is horrible, says the Kansas City Times, but it is not half so dreadful, in the physical and mental tortures it inflicts, nor in the sensations of pain it awakens in sympathetic human beings who contemplate it, as is involved in the spectacle of a whole nation slowly starving to

Gaunt, wasting, enervating, crazng famine is stalking through one ortion of the British empir, while through another, stride the blood-"If the people do not get the trust stained feet of war. But the war in place. question in their heads, they will get it the Transvaal, on which Great Britain is spending hundreds of millions of dollars, is not nearly ed to be quite a success. entailing the amount of suffering inagement and blood-sucking taxation | The burglars made good their es and rack-renting upon her East cape leaving no clew behind. India subjects.

A Boston missionary, Rev Rockell Clancey, recently returned from the afflicted country, says that when he left Bombay in February 60,000,000 were suffering from the famine, of whom 30,000,000 were in dire distress, and that the British government, which has been a cruel task master over the people of India for considerably more than a cen-"Monopolists opposed the Democracy tury, is only bestowing aid upon because it was the party of the common about 5,000,000, or one-twelth of the vast total of famine sufferers The emancipation and pitiful distress of these people, as he describes it, is sufficient to move a beart of trusts it will destroy the goose that lays stone. Mothers in many places are selling their girl children to Mohammedans for a mere pittance in order to obtain bread wherewith to starve off starvation for a few days. Great Britain has already spent nearly \$500,000,000 in carrying on war to destroy free government in South Africa, and will probably expend as much more before she ccomplishes the task of subjuga ion. Applied to the benevolent purpose of rescuing the belpless Hindoos from starvation, this immense sum might save from long have an ambition to break into the torture and death these people for whose dreadful plight England is morally and politically responsible

But she prefers to let them die while she employs the treasure, a portion of which has been extorted from famine stricken India, in assasal, and for the other positions the sinating free government in South Africa and in turning over the resources of the Boer republics to soul-less and greedy syndicates.

This is a picture of genuine imperialism. American voters would do well to study it between now and the presidential election, because, if the policy inaugurated in Porto Rico and the Philippines is history.

# Mrs. Dewey Defends Bryan.

A visitor at Beauvoir this afternoon made a laughing remark about A. W. Asheraft and wife Sunday. Col. W. J. Bryan, and it might have been construed as uncomplimentary to the colonel. "You must not say that," said

Mrs. Dewey, to whom the remurk had changed. She was grave, and eyed her visitor reprovingly. "Col. Bryan is a gentleman, a lead

er, an intellectual, well ecucated as we are getting tired of bacon and of St. Louis. That heretofore and cultivated man, about whom Gibraltar of republicanism will most, no disparaging remark can in justice be made," continued Mrs Dewey. "I have met him and admire him. I have met his wife, and various kinos. This spring has been like her immensely. She is charm- a remarkably dry one, and farm ty about the animal is," says Mr. DON'T BE FOOLED!

Mrs. Dewey's visitor gracefully Franklin avenue, except for a patch accepted the rebuke. The admiral necured .- New York Journal, April

#### Our Correspondents. UNION RIDGE.

Farmers are planting corn. Mrs. John H. Yount has been quite sick for some time.

Henry Lincoln was down in our community one day last week. Miss Columbia Yount has been employed to teach our school.

Mrs. L. S. Kinder of Plainview, Texas is visiting at G. W. Barks'. John Ledbetter, who has been visiting relatives here started to Galesburg, Ill. last Monday. The farmers are hauling logs

complete the new church house. The directors are going to have the school house repainted. Success to THE PRESS and its many readers. SUPERB.

HUXIE.

Health is good. Corn planting is in progress. Mr. Bennett of Dry Creek, was delivering fruit trees in this neighborhood last week.

Anderson Cloninger was on our streets Sunday. Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Randolpl James a 15-pound girl.

George Davis is erecting a ne house for M. S. Gladish. Noah James set a large patch of

W. L. Eaker will start peddling in a short time. Peter Eaker was on our streets

James Fowler is running his grist mill FARMER.

berries this spring.

SEDGEWICKVILLE. Wheat is beginning to look fine. The recent rains have checked corn planting in this vicinity. Died-On the 20th Harvey, son

of Eli Hahs. A. M. Smith of Daisy, wasin town last Sunday visiting relatives Smith & Fulbright have just completed their first new wagon at this

The exercises given by our Sunday school on Easter Sunday prov-

The store of Schlatitz & Pohlman flicted by Great Britain's misman- was burglarized a few nights ago.

Our hop tea man took a stampeed

Monday and left the place. GRAVEL HILL.

Corn planting is engaging mos Rev. Glass preached a very inter esting sermon at Hickory Grove

Easter Sunday. Ring playing seems to be the go of Sundays with our young people. W D. Allen is recovering from

severe attack of lagrippe. B. F. Helderman was elected director of this district. From what we can learn the most of our teachers have secured schools.

Master Loudon, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Slinkard is very sick at this writing. J. F. Crader is seen on our streets

very frequently, Wonder what the attraction is. Say brother Bollinger county we

do not want Hope for senator; There is an opening for a black mith shop in our little burg. We would like to have a good man

come and we will treat you right. Wishing the editor and the many readers of this undaunted sheet much success PETER SHIEK. BUCHANAN.

Farmers are in the push with

John Wiggins lost a fine cow last

Jim Gilmore, Oscar Mansfield and others indulged in a squirrel

Newt Baker and Alfred Wagoner are the champion log cutters of this commence at an early date. place. They cut all logs for Corbin & Corbin's mill.

B. M. Riley,s dog bit Mrs Dallas hide one day last week, and it is Charlie Rhodes and family visited Josh Morgan last Sunday. J. W. Mansfield and family and

Calvin Wagoner and wife visited There has been some fine fish taken out of Castor of late, some weighing twenty pounds each.

Young chicks coming off, garden was made. Her pleasant manner stuff growing nicely reminds as that we may yet in some future day get another season of square meals, beans for one meal and beans and bacon the next. Our farmers are well pleased with

the present outlook for crops of work, has advanced rapidly, wheat looks fine, oats are promising, corn planting will soon be over andeverything indicates a bountitul crop. and with fruit of all kinds inter- over this is .- Democrat News,

mixed with good health in Bollinger county will not be a bad place MAX ADDLER.

### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Fredericktown Democrat News: John Q. D. Whitener & Son at Marquand, are putting a new machine in their saw mill to make laths and pickets.

Work on the new court house is progressing nicely. There is no blow or bluster about Contractor Miller, but if he don't keep things moving like clock work, we'll give it up. Everything will be in readiness for the corner stone laying on May 1 and a large crowd of visitors are expected to be present.

Jackson Cash-Book: Mr. Charles Welling, Jackson's grand old man, is now in very feeble health. Mr. Welling is over eighty years of age, and up to two or three years past his age seemed to rest lightly upon him. He is one of the few old citizens now left who were here when the county was young. His life is full of good deeds, and stands like a guide-post to the young man starting out in the world. We would wish for Mr. Welling many more days among us all who know and respect him so well.

Charleston Enterprise: John Miller, who formerly lived near Bertrand, this county, was killed near Blodgett, on Sunday morning by south bound through freight. He was drunk and went to sleep on

the track. Dr. M. Tupper Smith, a dentist who formerly practiced here, now in St. Louis, has received word that bis niece, Louise Eversole, who has been making her home with him since her father died six months ago, is now worth \$1,000,000 in her own right, and her sister, Mabel, who is living with Dr Hulbert Smith, is also worth the same snug sum. The money is part of the estate of Ludwig Fischer, of Holland who died nine years ago.

Elijah Sutton, the village blacksmith of Bird's Pcint, this county, is in trouble. He was arrested last Saturday by Sheriff Ashby and turned over to a United States marshall, who took him to St Louis charged with being implicated and harboring counterfeiters. The men save for some days been at worl around Sutton's shop, and it was soon found that counterfeit money was in circulation, but it only took the men a short time to find out that things were too hot about the Point, so they skipped. The gang that worked here and Bird's Point were caught at Mound City, where they had a building rented and do ing a land office business in the way of making counterfeit money.

Another Railroad.

Louis Houck, the pioneer rail oad builder of Sontheast Missouri says the Cape Democrat, has just closed a deal for steel rails for about seven-five miles of new railroad. These rails, so the Democrat is

informed, will be used for the ex tension of Houck's Missouri & Arkansas road from Morehouse in New Madrid county, to Kennett in Dunklin county, and to extend the north end of the same road from Commerce, Scott county, to Cape Girardeau. This will be a greatest benefit to

the Cape than any railroad we can 830 get. It will open up a comparative- 1840. ly new section of country to us, and will give us direct rail communication to Kennett, New Madrid, will be the population of the United Caruthersville and other points it States, excluding recent acquisitions has heretofore been very incon- but the total of States, Territories and talent. Its beautiful half-tone illustravenient to reach. Mr. Houck has had the question of this improve Guess Received ..... ment under consideration for some To the Second ...... hunt last Saturday. No game was time, and has finally decided to To the Third ...... make the extension named. The work of building the new road will To the Sixth .....

What Is It?

Joseph Gower, the grave digger of this city, reports a strange animal living in the graveyard here. One day last week, while digging a To the next 500, each \$10 amounting grave, the animal came up to him and showed fight, and when he went after it with his pick, it ran down in a new made grave. Investigation showed holes at the head and foot of a good many graves in the Odd Fellows and Christian cemeteries supposed to have been made by this animal. Mr. Gower describes the animal as about two and n-half feet long with rather a sharp head and bushy tail. Several other people have seen it but have never been able to get close to it. Mr. Day says several years ago one of these animals dug all over the Odd Fellows cemetery. "One peculiari-Gower, "it appears to go in at the head of the grave and come out at the foot." Some one should go out Fruit of all kinds are in fine shape with a rifle and take a shot at what

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